

Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16

Art Unit 1655 2/27/02

Expedited Procedure

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

the Application of:

ULLRICH et al.

Group Art Unit: 1655

Application No.: 09/461,090

Examiner: F. Lu

Filed: December 14, 1999

Attorney Dkt. No.: 100564-09051

EGF RECEPTOR TRANSACTIVATION BY G-PROTEIN-COUPLED RECEPTORS REQUIRES METALLOPROTEINASE CLEAVAGE OF

pro-HB-EGF

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

BOX: AFTER FINAL Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

February 19, 2002

Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the final Office Action dated October 16, 2001 for the above-referenced application, along with a one-month Petition for Extension of Time and the statutory fee, making the response due on or before February 19, 2002 (February 16, 2002 being a Saturday and February 18, 2002 falling on a holiday).

Please amend the application as follows.

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 3, 8, 9, 11-13, 15-21 as follows. A marked-up copy of the claims is included in the attachment pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121.